

LOUISIANA AGRICULTURAL FINANCE AUTHORITY

Advertisement for Bids

June 4, 2009

PROJECT NUMBER: 03 – 2009 - LAFA
PROJECT NAME: LAFA Natchitoches Office
PROJECT LOCATION: South Industrial Loop near Highway 1 Bypass
Natchitoches, LA

Sealed bids for this project will be received by the Louisiana Agricultural Finance Authority (LAFA) by either registered or certified mail with a return receipt requested at the physical or mailing address provided herein or by hand delivery at the physical address until July 8, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.. Bids will be opened at that time in the Veterans' Memorial Auditorium located at the physical address. Bids shall not be accepted by any form of delivery on days recognized as holidays by the U. S. Postal Service. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) calendar days after the scheduled closing time for receiving bids, except in accordance with the provisions of LA. R.S. 38:2214.

ANY PERSON REQUIRING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR ATTENDING THE BID OPENING SHALL NOTIFY LAFA OF THE TYPE(S) OF ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED NOT LESS THAN SEVEN (7) BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE THE BID OPENING.

A non-refundable fee of \$ 50.00 for each set of bidding documents is required. A non-refundable mailing or shipping fee of \$ 4.00 shall be charged for each set of documents mailed or shipped to a bidder unless the bidder otherwise makes arrangements for obtaining the documents. Complete bidding documents may be obtained from:

Louisiana Agricultural Finance Authority
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 3334, Baton Rouge, LA 70821
Physical address: 5825 Florida Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70806
Phone: (225) 952-8172; Fax: (225) 237-5679
E-mail: hstephenson@ldaf.state.la.us

All bids must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond for not more than five (5%) percent of the contract price of work to be done, as evidence of good faith of the bidder. If a bid bond is used, it shall be written by a surety or insurance company that meets the requirements set out in Article 6(A) of the Bidders Instruction.

The successful bidder shall enter into a contract with LAFA for the completion of the project. A copy of the contract is included in the bidding documents. The successful bidder shall be required to furnish a good and solvent performance and payment bond in favor of LAFA in the amount not less than the amount stated in the contract. The performance and payment bond shall comply with the requirements set out in Article IX of the contract. The surety shall meet all the qualifications set out in Article IX of the contract.

A PRE-BID CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD
at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 1, 2009 at Natchitoches site

Attendance at this conference is not required but bidders are advised that they will be required to state on the bid form that they have personally inspected and are familiar with the project site.

A bidder is required to be a contractor licensed under LA. R.S. 37:2150-2163 for the classification of Building Construction.

LAFA reserves the right to reject any and all bids for just cause. The provisions and requirements of La. R.S. 38:2212, those stated in the advertisement bids, and those required on the bid form shall not be considered to be informalities and shall not be waived by LAFA.

When this project is financed either partially or entirely with state bonds that have not been issued, the award of the contract is contingent upon the granting of lines of credit, or the sale of bonds by the Bond Commission. LAFA shall incur no obligation to the successful bidder until the contract is signed.

STATE OF LOUISIANA
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MIKE STRAIN, DVM
CHAIRMAN